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May 31, 2002

Governor Paul E. Patton The Capitol 700 Capitol Avenue Frankfort KY 40601

RE: Request for Board Appointments, Siting Board Case No. 2002-00171

Calvert City, Kentucky

Dear Governor Patton:

This is to request local appointments to the Kentucky Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (the "Board") in Case No. 2002-00171, regarding the application of Westlake Energy Corporation ("Westlake") to construct a merchant electricity generating plant in Calvert City, Marshall County, Kentucky. A copy of Westlake's Notice of Intent to File Application is enclosed. As an application may, pursuant to 807 KAR 5:110E, be filed as early as June 30, 2002, and as the Board must decide the case no later than 120 days from the date of the application, I request that the appointments be made at your earliest convenience.

Pursuant to Senate Bill 257, Section 1(d), if a facility subject to Board approval is proposed to be located in a single county, the Governor is to appoint two ad hoc public members for service for the duration of the case concerning that facility. One ad hoc member is to be chairman of the local planning commission. The second ad hoc member is to be a resident of the county in which the facility is to be located.

Accordingly, I respectfully request appointment of Dale Strader, Chairman of the Calvert City Planning Commission, and appointment of a resident of Marshall County to serve as Board members for the duration of this proceeding. Pursuant to Senate Bill 257, Section 2(5), I shall convene the full Board for consideration of this application immediately after it is filed.



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Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Martin J. Huelsmann Chairman

Enclosure cc: File





## Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting Notice of Intent to File an Application

Name of Applicant:

Westlake Energy

Address:

2801 Post Oak Boulevard, Houston, TX 77056

Telephone:

713-960-9111

Project Description:

Westlake Energy proposes to build a 520 MW combined cycle natural gas fired power plant adjacent to existing industrial land uses on a 26 acre site in Calvert City, Kentucky. The property is zoned heavy industrial but is currently undeveloped. The final design will consist of either a "2 on 1" or "2 on 2" configuration. The 2 on 1 configuration will consist of two combustion turbine, two heat recovery steam generators, and one steam turbine generator. The 2 on 2 configuration will consist of two CTs, two HRSGs, and two STGs. Westlake is evaluating three turbine models for the project, Siemens 843A, Westinghouse 501F, and General Electric 7FA. An air pennit application with each of the equipment scenarios was submitted to the Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection Division of Air Quality in February 2000. A permit was recently issued for the facility.

Project Location:

The project will be located within the Calvert City limits in Marshall County. The property does not have a street number, but is located on Highway 1523, Industrial Loop, Calvert City, KY 42029. The coordinates for the plant are 37° 2' 36" north, and 88° 19' 23" west.

Planning/Zoning:

Zoning in the City is under the jurisdiction of the Calvert City Planning Commission at 1315 Fifth Avenue, PO Box 36, Calvert City, KY 42029.

Setbacks:

The proposed site is zoned I2 Heavy Industrial. The setback requirements for this designation are 0 feet front yard, 0 feet side yard, and 0 feet rear yard. These setbacks are less stringent than those contained within SB 257, Section 3(2). Therefore, although the proposed facility meets local setback requirements, Westlake will be requesting a deviation from the statutory setbacks based on the location of the stacks within 1,000 feet of the closest property line.